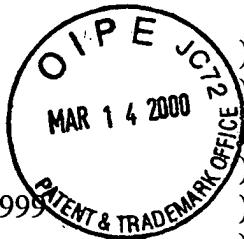


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Applicant : Imran, et al.) Group Art Unit 3734
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is form PTO-1449. All but three (3) of the references were cited in related parent Application No. 08/813,807, filed March 6, 1997, abandoned, and Application No. 09/049,857, filed March 27, 1998, currently pending, and copies of the references are therefore not enclosed. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the receipt of a first Office Action on the merits, and presumably no fee is required in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). If a first Office Action on the merits was mailed before the mailing date of this Statement, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) to Deposit Account 11-1410. A duplicate copy of this Statement is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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